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DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE GRANTS

GRANTS MADE AVAILABLE THROUGH THE PARTNERSHIP OF THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS'

OFFICE OF SUSTAINABILITY, UNITED WATER, AND LISC

INDIANAPOLIS – The City of Indianapolis' Office of Sustainability and United Water have partnered to announce that applications are available for the Green Infrastructure Grant Program. The deadline for interested applicants has been extended to Friday, October 1, 2010. This year, \$100,000 in funding will be granted to organizations who utilize green infrastructure projects designed to improve water quality and reduce stormwater runoff.

"Green infrastructure and healthy water quality is an important part of being a sustainable city," said Mayor Greg Ballard. "I commend United Water for their valuable partnership with the City and their support of a more sustainable Indianapolis by providing funding for the Green Infrastructure Grant Program."

United Water has committed \$400,000 to the program over a 4 year period beginning in 2008.

The Green Infrastructure Grant applications are being accepted through October 1. Grants are available to organizations committed to efforts in sustainable development within Marion County.

The maximum grant amount awarded will be \$20,000 and a match is required for the grant.

The primary goals of green infrastructure are to capture and store stormwater as close to where it falls so that it can be cleaned, infiltrated into the soil, and slowly released into rivers and streams. There are many types of green infrastructure; some popular examples include green roofs, porous pavement, and rain gardens.

Applications are available at www.sustainindy.org and www.unitedwater.com.

To learn more about Mayor Ballard's vision of making Indianapolis one of the most sustainable cities in the Midwest, visit www.sustainindy.org

About United Water

United Water (UW) is a leading provider of water and wastewater services in North America. More information on these UW companies can be obtained through the company's website at:

www.unitedwater.com

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